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Please forgive my blunt approach here, but because I live in Chico and just received information regarding today's deadline for comments on the water project, I only have a few minutes to write this.

The need for more water is a GLOBAL problem, and the U.S. should be connecting with all other countries, putting the best minds to work- thinking outside the box- with "cash prizes!" in order to create a solution. In the meantime, here is my input:

It is NOT a good idea to pull water from areas such as Northern California and risk desiccating rich land, animal, and water life for the areas that are experiencing greater droughts. Let's think not only with our hearts, but with our brains here. It is NOT a viable choice! It is not worth the risk of losing valuable territory as we know it. Do not think with such short-sightedness. It truely will not work long-term! And you should not want your name attached to such a bad decision!

All potential solutions will cost great amounts of money, even the Northern California idea, it's a given. But let's think "cost savings in the long run"!!! I think it's already known that we've designed cities all wrong and lost the easiest way of holding onto our waters through "Infrastructural rain and other waters capture". It can still be done, but would be at a high cost in dollars. I think we need to connect with neighboring droughtstricken states, pull our moneys, tighten our belts, and invest in a long-term solution such as the desalination choice, (besides water capturing). Pipeline THAT, (fresh water from desalination), to those other states and receive revenues back. And although there are problems with some of the techniques of extraction, some versions look to be the right choice. No chemicals please. Perhaps a type of reverse osmosis that avoids destruction of sea life. FACT: Sea levels have risen FACT: % salt in sea waters are decreasing. There ARE good choices here.

Use your brains and get started.

Much of the info. below may be factual and useful in making an informed and smart decision for California, (of course you'll also want to look at new scientific research results):

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Desalination

Get going!

Thank you and goodnight!